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Google Defendants ("Google") respectfully move the Court to seal two of Plaintiff's Trial Exhibits and one deal term mentioned in a single line of deposition testimony scheduled to be used in Court on November 8. We understand that the two exhibits may be used during the testimony of Purnima Kochikar, a Google employee.<sup>1</sup>

Pursuant to the Court's guidance provided on November 7, 2023, Google has narrowed its sealing request to a highly-sensitive commercial deal, the public disclosure of which would have an immediate impact on Google's ongoing, active negotiations with several developer-customers. One of the exhibits—an internal company summary of the terms of that highly-sensitive deal—makes specific reference to the commercial sensitivity of the terms and how other developer-customers may request similar terms. Several of those other developers are engaged in ongoing discussions with Google about commercial partnerships. Moreover, certain terms of the agreement are still under negotiation with the Non-Party developer partner at issue—Spotify—and the disclosure of the exhibits will impact those ongoing negotiations.

The Ninth Circuit holds that sealing is appropriate where the "party seeking to seal a judicial record" demonstrates "compelling reasons" that outweigh the "general history of access and the public policies favoring disclosure." *Kamakana v. City & Cty. of Honolulu*, 447 F.3d 1172, 1178-79 (9th Cir. 2006) (trade secrets were compelling reasons); *see also Fed. Trade Comm'n v. Qualcomm Inc.*, No. 17-CV-00220-LHK, 2019 WL 95922, at \*3 (N.D. Cal. Jan. 3, 2019) (confidential contracts, contract negotiations, and discussions of business strategy were compelling reasons). As the Ninth Circuit has stated, "[s]ecrecy is a one-way street: Once information is published, it cannot be made secret again." *In re Copley Press, Inc.*, 518 F.3d 1022, 1025 (9th Cir. 2008). As discussed in the declaration filed herewith, public disclosure of this information will cause severe and irreparable harm to Google (and to non-party Spotify) that outweigh the public interest in disclosure.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Non-Party Spotify, Inc. is also moving to seal the deal terms reflected in the two exhibits and deposition testimony to protect their interests as a non-party.

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Google respectfully requests that the commercial deal terms referenced in the materials subject to this motion not be disclosed or displayed in open court. Instead, this information should be provided to the jury in hard copy and questions related to the two exhibits and deposition testimony should be framed to avoid revealing the confidential commercial terms to the general public and to third parties who may use it competitively to their advantage. Respectfully submitted, Dated: November 7, 2023 By: Rishi P. Satia MORGAN, LEWIS & BOCKIUS LLP Rishi P. Satia Counsel for Defendants 

#### **DECLARATION OF CHRISTIAN CRAMER**

I, Christian Cramer, declare as follows:

- 1. I have been Finance Director for Defendant Google LLC ("Google") since March 2017 and have worked at Google since September 2007. I have personal knowledge of Google's practices concerning the confidentiality of its strategic business information. The facts set forth here are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and are based on my personal knowledge of Google's policies and treatment of confidential information, the materials provided to me and reviewed by me, and/or conversations with other knowledgeable Google employees. If called upon as a witness in this action, I could and would testify from my personal knowledge and knowledge acquired from sources with factual foundation.
- 2. I submit this declaration in support of this Motion seeking to seal the non-public, highly confidential information identified below. As detailed below, there are "compelling reasons" to seal Google's highly confidential materials.

### **Google's Targeted Sealing Requests**

Trial Exhibits 1530, 1532, and the highlighted excerpts of the deposition testimony identified below reflect highly-confidential, non-public deal terms from a current agreement, some of which are currently being renegotiated. The public disclosure of these terms would directly impact and negatively affect Google's ongoing, active negotiations with certain developer-customers. These are active, hard-fought negotiations, and public disclosure of these terms would place Google in a competitive disadvantage and severely and adversely impact Google's current negotiating position. For example, if these specific deal terms are publicly disclosed, an existing and/or prospective customer-developer could demand the same exact terms offered in this highly-negotiated agreement or lead to a breakdown in Google's current business negotiations.

Exhibit	Portion of Exhibit
Exhibit 1530	Entire exhibit
Exhibit 1532	Entire exhibit
Deposition Testimony of Sandra Alzetta (Non-Party Spotify, Inc.)	Page 43, Line 25

1	I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on the 7th d	
2	of November, 2023, in Mountain View, California.	DocuSigned by:
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## **E-FILING ATTESTATION**

I, Rishi P. Satia, am the ECF User whose ID and password are being used to file this document. In compliance with Civil Local Rule 5-1(i)(3), I hereby attest that each of the signatories identified above has concurred in this filing.

/s/ Rishi P. Satia

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